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**THOMASVILLE:** Maxwell Wood, United States Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia, announces that **DOUGLAS C. ROGERS**, Moultrie attorney and certified public accountant, was convicted of mail fraud on April 20, 2005, by a federal jury sitting in Thomasville, Georgia. **ROGERS** was convicted of four counts of scheming to defraud an incompetent adult woman over whom he was serving as a court-appointed guardian of property. **ROGERS** also served as a court-appointed trustee over a trust which was established for the benefit of the incompetent woman.

**ROGERS** was convicted of embezzling money from the trust assets and using the money to trade in the stock market. **ROGERS** admitted to taking the money, but insisted that he had borrowed the funds and intended to pay the money back. No money was ever repaid to the beneficiary of the trust.

**ROGERS** faces a statutory maximum penalty of twenty years imprisonment on each count of the indictment.

Assistant United States Attorney George R. Christian prosecuted the case for the government. The investigation was conducted by the Thomasville office of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. For additional information, contact U.S. Attorney Maxwell Wood or Assistant U.S. Attorney George R. Christian through Sue McKinney at 478-621-2602 or visit our web site at [www.usdoj.gov/usao/gam](http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/gam).

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